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1                   ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

2                   A security article includes a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an  
3 opposing second surface, with the first surface having an optical interference pattern such as  
4 a holographic image pattern or an optical diffraction pattern thereon. A color shifting optical  
5 coating is formed on the substrate such as on the interference pattern or on the opposing  
6 second surface of the substrate, with the optical coating providing an observable color shift  
7 as the angle of incident light or viewing angle changes. Various processes can be utilized  
8 to form the security article, such as vacuum coating processes, lamination, laser scribing, and  
9 laser imaging. The security article can be affixed to a variety of objects through various  
10 attachment mechanisms, such as pressure sensitive adhesives or hot stamping processes, to  
11 provide for enhanced security measures such as anticounterfeiting.

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